

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended to merely clarify the recited subject matter, new claim 17 is added to more fully claim the disclosed invention and a corrected Abstract is submitted. Applicants submit that claim 17 is patentable for reasons commensurate with those set forth herein.

Applicants acknowledge the indication of claims 9-16 as allowable, and the indication that claims 2-5 include allowable subject matter. Applicants delay rewriting claims 2-5 in independent form to afford the Office the opportunity to fully reconsider the pending claims.

Claims 1 and 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Park (U.S. 6,684,078) and Chang et al. (U.S. 6,167,279; hereafter "Chang"). Applicants traverse the rejection because Park is not prior art to the present application and Chang fails to disclose, teach or suggest all the features recited in the rejected claims.

The present application has a priority date of September 1, 1999 by virtue of the filing of Finnish application FI 1999186. That filing was in the English language. Therefore, there is nothing required to perfect that priority date.

That priority date of September 1, 1999 renders Park unavailable as prior art to the present application because that priority date is earlier than both the U.S. filing date of Park February 8, 2000 and the publication date of corresponding South Korean application of Park on September 15, 2000.

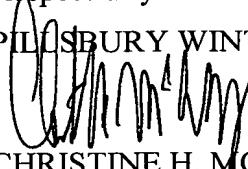
In the absence of Park, Chang fails to teach or suggest the totality of the claimed subject matter, in particular, that location information in the GSM form is stored and transmitted. Therefore, present claim 1, and as a consequence, its dependent claims 6-8 are patentable.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, Applicants submit that the Application is in condition for allowance and look forward to receiving a notice to this effect. However, if anything further is necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner telephone Applicants' undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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